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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Previously Presented) A marking surface operable to be written on, drawn on or otherwise marked by a user comprising:

a marking area comprising penmanship improving indicia comprising ink capable of disappearing; and

an overlying barrier sheet for preventing permeation of air, said overlying barrier sheet being removably affixed to the marking area;

wherein removal of said overlying barrier sheet initiates a chemical reaction process in which said ink disappears after passage of a certain amount of time.

- 2. (Original) The marking surface of claim 1, wherein said barrier sheet is a sheet of synthetic polymer.
- 3. (Original) The marking surface of claim 1, wherein said barrier sheet is a sheet of lightweight aluminum foil.
- 4. (Original) The marking surface of claim 1, wherein said marking area includes an area for writing a note between a plurality of lines formed from said ink.

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5. (Original) The marking surface of claim 1, further comprising a series of instructions located on said barrier sheet.

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- 6. (Canceled)
- 7. (Canceled)
- 8. (Canceled)
- 9. (Canceled)
- 10. (Canceled)
- 11. (Canceled)